Supporting Information

Tandem Vinyl Radical Minisci-type Annulation on Pyridines: One-Pot Expeditious Access to Azaindenones

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1. General experimental details

Solvents and reagents were reagent grade and used without purification unless otherwise noted. ¹HNMR (400 or 600 MHz) and ¹³CNMR (100 or 150 MHz) spectra were recorded on JNM-ECE 400R or 600R spectrometers unless otherwise noted. The chemical shifts (δ) were quoted in parts per million from tetramethylsilane for ¹H and CDCl₃ for ¹³C spectroscopy. Coupling constants are reported in Hertz (Hz). Spectral splitting patterns are designated as s, singlet; d, doublet; t, triplet; q, quartet; p, pentet; m, multiplet and br, broad. High resolution mass spectra (HRMS) were obtained with a Bruker microTOF (ESI). Single crystal was tested and recorded on a Rigaku Super Nova Single Crystal Diffractometer.

2. Preparations of Substrates

The heterocyclic ynones **1a-1s** were prepared according to the reported methods.^{1,3} **1a, 1d, 1g, 1h, 1j, 1n, 1q-s** were known compounds and their data were in agreement with the literature data. (**1a, 1n, 1q, 1r, 1s**, see Ref. 1; **1d, 1g, 1h, 1j**, see Ref. 2)

2.1 Typical procedures for the synthesis of 1t.



Add ethylene glycol (1.29 g, 20.9 mmol, 1.1 equiv.) to a suspension of 6-bromo-3-pyridine carbaldehyde (3.496 g, 19 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) and p-toluene

sulfonic acid (361 mg, 1.9 mmol, 0.1 equiv.) in 100 mL toluene in 250 mL flask. The mixture was reacted under Dean-Stark conditions in oil bath for 6-10 hours. After completion of the reaction (monitored by TLC), the mixture was cooled to room temperature, washed with saturated NaHCO₃ (30 mL) and NaCl (30 mL) aqueous solutions. The organic phase was separated, dried over anhydrous sodium sulfate and evaporated under reduced pressure. The resulting residue was purified by flash chromatography on silica gel (petroleum ether/EtOAc = 4:1) to give 2-bromo-5-(1,3-dioxolan-2-yl)pyridine as yellow oil (85%, 3.698g, 16.1 mmol).

To a 150 mL of schlenk reaction tube (with a Teflon-coated cap) equipped with a magnetic stir bar were added 2-bromo-5-(1,3-dioxolan-2-yl)pyridine (3.664 g, 16 mmol, 1.0 equiv.), pyridin-3-ylboronic acid (2.361 g, 19.2 mmol, 1.2 equiv.), Na₂CO₃ (5.088 g, 48 mmol, 3.0 equv.), Pd(PPh₃)₄ (924 mg, 0.8 mmol, 0.05 equiv.), H₂O (12 mL) and dioxane (68 mL). The reaction system was evacuated and purged with nitrogen for three times. The mixture was kept stirring at 80 °C in heated oil bath for 16 h. After completion, the mixture was cooled to room temperature, extracted with EtOAc and H₂O, and the organic phase was collected, concentrated under reduced pressure. The thus-obtained crude product was purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel with petroleum ether/ethyl acetate (v/v=4:1) as eluent to afford the bipyridyl acetal in 75% yield as white solid (2.736 g, 12 mmol).

Concentrated hydrochloric acid (12 N, 30.0 mL) was added dropwise to a solution of bipyridyl acetal (2.736 g, 12 mmol) in THF (110 mL) and water (90 mL), and the mixture was kept stirring at room temperature for 18 h. After the reaction completed, the pH of the reaction solution was adjusted to 10 with saturated potassium carbonate solution, and then extracted with EtOAc. The organic phase was dried with sodium sulfate, filtered, concentrated under reduced pressure and purified by silica gel column chromatography (PE:EA=2:1) to obtain bipyridyl aldehyde (70%, 1.545g, 8.4 mmol).

n-BuLi (2.5 M solution in n-hexane, 3.6 mL, 9 mmol, 1.07 equiv.) was added dropwise to a solution of phenylacetylene (918mg, 9 mmol, 1.07 equiv.) in anhydrous THF (20 mL) at -78 °C under N_2 atmosphere, stirred at this temperature for 30

minutes and then 1.0 h at room temperature. After cooling to -78 °C, bipyridyl aldehyde (1.545g, 8.4 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) in 5 mL THF was added. The resulting solution was then warmed up to room temperature gradually and stirred for additional hours before quenched by saturated NH₄Cl aqueous solution. The mixture was extracted with ethyl ether (2 x 10 mL), and the combined organic layers were dried over anhydrous MgSO₄, concentrated under vacuum to afford the crude product alkynol. The crude product alkynol was dissolved in 20 mL anhydrous DCM, MnO₂ (5-10 equiv) was added, the resulting mixture was stirred at room temperature for 10 h. After the reaction completed (detected the reaction by TLC), the mixture was filtrated and the solution was concentrated under vacuum to afford the crude product, which was purified by flash chromatography on silica gel (petroleum ether/EtOAc = 1:1, V/V) to give **1t** as yellow solid (75%, 33.4% in total, 1.806g, 6.36 mmol).



1-([2,3'-bipyridin]-5-yl)-3-phenylprop-2-yn-1-one (**1t**). Yellow solid (1.806 g, 33.4% in total, 6.36 mmol); $R_f = 0.32$ (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 1:1, v/v); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 600 MHz) δ (ppm): 9.538-9.536 (m, 1H), 9.32 (s, 1H), 8.74 (s, 1H), 8.53 (dd, $J_1 = 8.3$ Hz, $J_2 = 2.2$ Hz, 1H), 8.43 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.93 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 7.72 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 2H), 7.53 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.48-7.45 (m, 3H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 150 MHz) δ (ppm): 176.5, 150.3, 149.8, 139.2, 133.3, 132.7, 131.3, 129.8, 129.7, 129.5, 128.9, 127.9, 126.9, 119.8, 94.8, 86.6; MS (HRMS) m/z Calcd. for C₁₉H₁₃N₂O⁺ : 285.1022, [M+H]⁺ found : 285.1024.

2.2 Typical procedures for the synthesis of 1u.



To a 150 mL of schlenk reaction tube (with a Teflon-coated cap) equipped with a magnetic stir bar were added toluene (100 mL), 2-bromonicotinaldehyde (1.86g, 10 mmol, 1.0 equiv.), phenylboronic acid (1.22g, 10 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) and sodium carbonate (30 mmol, 2M). Then, ethanol (6 mL) was added to this reaction mixture followed by Pd(PPh₃)₄ (231 mg, 0.2 mmol, 0.02 equiv.). The reaction mixture was refluxed overnight under N₂ and then diluted with water. The organic layer was separated, the aqueous layer was extracted with EtOAc (2×30 mL). The combined organic layer was washed with water (3×30 mL) and brine (1×30 mL), dried over MgSO₄ and filtered. The filtrate was evaporated under reduced pressure, the crude product was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (petro/EtOAc=5/1) to give the desired coupling product (60%, 1.098 g, 6 mmol).

n-BuLi (2.5 M solution in n-hexane, 2.64 mL, 6.6 mmol, 1.1 equiv.) was added dropwise to a solution of phenylacetylene (673.2 mg, 6.6 mmol, 1.1 equiv.) in anhydrous THF (15 mL) at -78 °C under N₂ atmosphere, stirred at -78 °C for 30 minutes and then 1.0 h at room temperature. After cooling to -78 °C, the above-obtained aldehyde (1.098 g, 6.0 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) in 5 mL THF was added. The solution was then warmed up to room temperature gradually and stirred for additional hours before quenched by saturated NH₄Cl aqueous solution. The mixture was extracted with ethyl ether (2 x 10 mL), and the combined organic layers were dried over anhydrous MgSO₄, concentrated under vacuum to afford the crude product. The crude product was dissolved in 20 mL anhydrous DCM, MnO₂ (5-10 equiv) was added, the resulting mixture was stirred at room temperature for 10 h. After the reaction completed (detected the reaction by TLC), the mixture was filtrated and the solution was concentrated under vacuum to afford the crude product, which was

purified by flash chromatography on silica gel (petroleum ether/EtOAc = 5:1) to give **1u** as light yellow solid (70%, 42% in total, 1.188 g, 4.2 mmol).



3-phenyl-1-(2-phenylpyridin-3-yl)prop-2-yn-1-one (**1u**). Light yellow solid (1.188 g, 42% in total); $R_f = 0.32$ (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 4:1, v/v); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 600 MHz) δ (ppm): 8.80-8.79 (m, 1H), 8.18 (dd, $J_1 = 7.8$ Hz, $J_2 = 1.7$ Hz, 1H), 7.66 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.45 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 2H), 7.39 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 7.37-7.35 (m, 1H), 7.33 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.23 (t, J = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 7.16 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 2H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 150 MHz) δ (ppm): 179.7, 159.3, 151.9, 139.6, 137.8, 134.1, 133.1, 130.9, 130.1, 129.5, 128.53, 128.45, 122.0, 119.7, 94.9, 88.5; MS (HRMS) m/z Calcd. for C₂₀H₁₄NO⁺ : 284.1070, [M+H]⁺ found : 284.1073.

3. Optimization of Reaction Conditions

Reaction conditions were optimized using the mode reaction between 3-phenyl-1-(pyridin-3-yl)prop-2-yn-1-one (1a) and cyclohexane (2a), and the results are outlined in Table S1.

We screened Cu metal source as catalysts including CuBr, CuCl, CuI, Cu₂O, Cu(OAc)₂ and found product **3a** was generated in 54-70% yields (entries 2-5). Several Fe salts such as FeCl₃, Fe(acac)₃ and FeCl₂·4H₂O were also tested, and only moderate yield was obtained (entries 6-8). The yield of **3a** was only 46% in the absence of catalyst (entry 9). Some organic oxidants such as DTBP, DCP, CHP, BPO, TBPB, H₂O₂ and inorganic oxidant K₂S₂O₈ were screened, and TBPB was found to be the optimal oxidant in this reaction system (entries 10-16), and the reaction did not occur without an oxidant (entry 17). Further screenings indicated that 120 °C was the optimal temperature (entries 18, 19 vs 14). It was also found that 4.0 equivments of TBHP gave the best yield (entries 20, 21 vs 14) and the

optimal reaction time was 24 hours (entries 22, 23 vs 14). When cyclohexane (**2a**) was used as both reactant and solvent without the addition of other solvents the reaction proceeded most effectively (entry 24 vs 14). It should be mentioned that in contrast to the traditional protocols of Minisci reaction, the addition of an acid (TFA) did not benefit the current reaction (entry 25).

		Catalyst, Oxidant T (°C), 24 h 2a		 3a
entry	catalyst	oxidant	T (°C)	yield $(\%)^b$
1	CuBr	$TBHP^{c}$	120	60
2	CuCl	TBHP	120	62
3	CuI	TBHP	120	54
4	Cu ₂ O	TBHP	120	70
5	Cu(OAc) ₂	TBHP	120	57
6	FeCl ₃	TBHP	120	52
7	Fe(acac) ₃	TBHP	120	55
8	FeCl ₂ · 4H ₂ O	TBHP	120	50
9		TBHP	120	46
10	Cu ₂ O	$DTBP^d$	120	71
11	Cu ₂ O	DCP^{e}	120	68
12	Cu ₂ O	CHP^{f}	120	32
13	Cu ₂ O	BPO^g	120	58
14	Cu ₂ O	TBPB^h	120	78
15	Cu ₂ O	$H_2O_2{}^i$	120	38
16	Cu ₂ O	$K_2S_2O_8$	120	0
17	Cu ₂ O		120	trace
18	Cu ₂ O	TBPB	110	70
19	Cu ₂ O	TBPB	130	77
20^{j}	Cu ₂ O	TBPB	120	71
21^{k}	Cu ₂ O	TBPB	120	78

Table S1 Optimization of Reaction Conditions^a

22^{l}	Cu ₂ O	TBPB	120	73
23 ^{<i>m</i>}	Cu ₂ O	TBPB	120	79
24 ⁿ	Cu ₂ O	TBPB	120	43
25^{o}	Cu ₂ O	TBPB	120	61

^{*a*}Reaction conditions. ^{*b*}Isolated yield. ^{*c*}TBHP = t-BuOOH (70% aq.). ^{*d*}DTBP = di-tert-butyl peroxide. ^{*e*}DCP = dicumyl peroxide. ^{*f*}CHP = cumene hydroperoxide. ^{*g*}BPO = benzoyl peroxide. ^{*h*}TBPB = tert-butyl peroxybenzoate. ^{*i*}H₂O₂ = hydrogen peroxide. ^{*j*}3.0 equivments of TBPB was used; ^{*k*}5.0 equivments of TBPB was used; ^{*l*} 18 hours; ^{*m*}30 hours; ^{*n*}THF/ Cyclohexane (V/V=1:1) was used as solvent; ^{*o*}1.2 equivments of TFA was added.

4. Typical Procedure for the Vinyl Radical Cascade Annulation (3a)



To a 10 mL of schlenk reaction tube (with a Teflon-coated cap) equipped with a magnetic stir bar were added 3-phenyl-1-(pyridin-3-yl)prop-2-yn-1-one (**1a**, 51.8 mg, 0.25 mmol, 1.0 equiv.), Cu₂O (1.2 mg, 0.0125 mmol, 0.05 equiv.) and TBPB (194.2 mg, 1.0 mmol, 4.0 equiv.). Then, 2.0 mL of cyclohexane (**2a**) was added and the mixture was kept stirring in oil bath at 120 °C for 24 h. After the reaction completed, the mixture was cooled to room temperature, extracted with saturated NaHCO₃ aqueous solution and EtOAc. The organic layer was then concentrated under vacuum and purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel with petroleum ether/ethyl acetate (V/V = 10:1) as eluent to afford **3a** (78%, 56.3 mg) as yellow oil.

5. Procedures for Gram-Scale Synthesis of 11

a: Gram-Scale Synthesis of 3a

To a 150 mL of schlenk reaction tube (with a Teflon-coated cap) equipped with a magnetic stir bar was added 3-phenyl-1-(pyridin-3-yl)prop-2-yn-1-one (**1a**, 5 mmol, 1.036 g), Cu₂O (0.25 mmol, 24 mg), TBPB (20 mmol, 3.884 g), Then, 30 mL of cyclohexane (**2a**) was added and the mixture was stirred in oil bath at 120 °C for 24 h.

After completion, the mixture was cooled to room temperature, extracted with saturated NaHCO₃ aqueous and EtOAc, concentrated under reduced pressure, then purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel with petroleum [eluent: 10:1 (v/v) of petroleum ether/ethyl acetate] to afford the desired product **3a** as yellow oil in 63% yield (910.4 mg).

b: Gram-Scale Synthesis of 11



The reduction was carried out in CH₃OH with a ratio of **3a**/CoCl₂/NaBH₄ of 1:2:2.5 according to the literature⁴. To a 500-mL round bottom flasks with a magnetic stir bar was added **3a** (910.4 mg, 3.15 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) and 300 mL CH₃OH, the mixture stirred for 10 minutes. CoCl₂· $6H_2O$ (1.498 g, 6.3 mmol, 2.0 equiv.) was added, the solutions turned deep pink and continued stirring for 30 minutes. Then, NaBH₄ (297.9 mg, 7.875 mmol, 2.5 equiv.) was added to the reaction mixture in portions. After completed (monitored by TLC), HCl (6N) was added, and the mixture was stirred for 1 h. Saturated Na₂CO₃ aqueous solution was added until pH = 10. After that, the mixture was extracted with EtOAc (100 mL x3). The organic layers were combined and washed with water (100 mL), concentrated under vacuum and then purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel with petroleum ether/ethyl acetate (V/V = 4:1) as eluent to afford **11** (843.3 mg, 92%, 58% in total) as colorless oil.

6. Mechanistic investigation

The mechanistic investigation included trapping of cyclohexyl radical and isotope labeling experiments, and the results was outlined in Scheme S1.

6.1 Results of control experiments



Scheme S1 control experiments

6.2 Trapping of cyclohexyl radical

6.2.1 Trapping by TEMPO



The reaction was performed according to the general procedure except for the addition of 2.5 equivalents of radical scavenger (2,2,6,6-tetramethylpiperidinoxy, TEMPO). After the reaction completed, the reaction mixture was detected by ESI-HRMS. The adduct of cyclohexyl radical with TEMPO was detected, as shown in Figure S1.



Figure S1. HRMS spectra of TEMPO-cyclohexyl adduct

6.2.2 Trapping by 1,1-diphenylethylene



The reaction was performed according to the general procedure except for the additional addition of 1,1-diphenylethylene (91 mg, 0.5 mmol, 2.0 equiv.). The mixture was stirred in oil bath at 120 °C for 24 h. After that, the mixture was cooled to room temperature, and purified by column chromatography (eluent: petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 20/1, v/v) to afford **3a** in yield of 22% and the adduct of cyclohexyl radical with 1,1-diphenylethylene in 40% yield. The NMR spectra of **12** were outlined in Figure S2.



Figure S2 ¹H NMR and ¹³C NMR spectrum of 12

6.3 Isotope labeling experiments



The reaction was performed according to the general procedure except that the mixture of cyclohexane (1.0 mL) and D_{12} - cyclohexane (1.0 mL) was used instead of cyclohexane (2.0 mL). The mixture was kept stirring in oil bath at 120 °C for 24 h. After completion, the mixture was cooled to room temperature and purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel with petroleum ether/ethyl acetate (v/v = 10:1) as eluent to afford the product (**3a**+ D_{11} -**3a**) in 72%. The ratio of hydrogen to deuterium (H/D) was determined from the ¹H NMR (as outlined in Figure S3).





Figure S3. ¹H NMR spectrum of 3a, and a mixture of (3a+D₁₁-3a)

7. X-ray single crystal structure and data of 3t (CCDC 2112049)

CCDC 2112049 contains the supplementary crystallographic data (**3t**) for this paper. These data can be obtained free of charge via https://www.ccdc.cam.ac.uk/structures/Search?Ccdcid=2112049&DatabaseToSearch=Published or by emailing data_request@ccdc.cam.ac.uk

Solvent system and method for crystal growth: the cultivation of single crystal (**3t**) was in nuclear magnet tube with the slowly volatilization of deuterated chloroform.



Figure S4. Ellipsoid form showing in the single crystal structure of 3t.

	3x
CCDC NO.	2112049
Descripti on	block
color	fluorescent light colourless
from solution	CDCl ₃
empirical formula	$C_{25}H_{22}N_2O$
Mr	366.44
crystal size (mm ³)	0.12×0.1×0.2
crystal system	orthorhombic
space group	P ca21
a [Å]	22.1929 (4)
b [Å]	12.0792 (3)
c [Å]	7.0699 (2)
α [deg]	90

Displacement	ellinsoids are	scaled to	the 50%	nrohahility	level
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β [deg]	90	
γ[deg]	90	
V/ [Å3]	1895.25(8)	
d/[g/cm3]	1.284	
Z	4	
T [K]	100	
R1, wR2 $I > 2\dot{o}(I)$	0.0377; 0.0949	
R1, wR (all data)	0.0363; 0.0935	
quality of fit	1.051	

8. Characterization data for the new compounds (substrates and products)



3-(2-fluorophenyl)-1-(pyridin-3-yl)prop-2-yn-1-one (1b)

Yellow solid (731.3 mg, 65%); $R_f = 0.33$ (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 4:1, v/v); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 600 MHz) δ (ppm): 9.46 (s, 1H), 8.85 (s, 1H), 8.46 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.69-766 (m, 1H), 7.53-7.47 (m, 2H), 7.24-7.18 (m, 2H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 150 MHz) δ (ppm): 176.3, 164.0 (d, J = 254.5 Hz), 154.4, 151.5, 136.5, 135.0, 133.4 (d, J = 8.5 Hz), 124.6 (d, J = 3.9 Hz), 123.7, 116.1 (d, J = 20.3 Hz), 108.7, 108.6, 90.8, 87.9; MS (HRMS) m/z Calcd. for C₁₄H₉FNO⁺ : 226.0663, [M+H]⁺ found : 226.0659.



3-(3-fluorophenyl)-1-(pyridin-3-yl)prop-2-yn-1-one (1c)

White solid (765.0 mg, 68%); $R_f = 0.34$ (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 4:1, v/v); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 600 MHz) δ (ppm): 9.43 (s, 1H), 8.862-8.855 (m, 1H), 8.43-8.41 (m, 1H), 7.50-7.48 (m, 2H), 7.44-7.41 (m, 1H), 7.38 (d, J = 8.7 Hz, 1H), 7.25-7.21 (m, 1H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 150 MHz) δ (ppm): 176.3, 162.4 (d, J = 247.2 Hz), 154.5, 151.5, 136.3, 132.1, 130.6 (d, J = 8.6 Hz), 129.1 (d, J = 3.5 Hz), 123.7, 121.4 (d, J = 9.3 Hz), 119.9 (d, J = 23.3 Hz), 118.8 (d, J = 21.1 Hz), 92.7, 86.5; MS (HRMS) m/z Calcd. for C₁₄H₉FNO⁺ : 226.0663, [M+H]⁺ found : 226.0668.



1-(pyridin-3-yl)-3-(2-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)prop-2-yn-1-one (1e)

Yellow solid (797.5 mg, 58%); $R_f = 0.33$ (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 4:1, v/v); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 600 MHz) δ (ppm): 9.42 (s, 1H), 8.86-8.85 (m, 1H), 8.45 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 7.87 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 1H), 7.78 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 7.65-7.61 (m, 2H), 7.50-7.48 (m, 1H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 100 MHz) δ (ppm): 176.3, 154.5, 151.3, 136.5, 136.0, 132.7 (q, J = 31.4 Hz), 132.2, 132.0, 131.0, 126.4 (q, J = 5.0 Hz), 123.7, 123.3 (q, J = 272.0 Hz), 117.9 (q, J = 2.1 Hz), 90.4, 88.9; MS (HRMS) m/z Calcd. for C₁₅H₉F₃NO⁺ : 276.0631, [M+H]⁺ found : 276.0638.



3-(3-chlorophenyl)-1-(pyridin-3-yl)prop-2-yn-1-one (1f)

Yellow solid (759.2 mg, 63%); $R_f = 0.33$ (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 4:1, v/v); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 600 MHz) δ (ppm): 9.43 (s, 1H), 8.87-8.86 (m, 1H), 8.42 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 7.68 (s, 1H), 7.59 (d, J = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 7.50-7.48 (m, 2H), 7.39 (t, J = 7.9 Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 150 MHz) δ (ppm): 176.2, 154.5, 151.5, 136.3, 134.9, 132.9, 132.1, 131.6, 131.3, 130.2, 123.7, 121.4, 92.5, 86.8; MS (HRMS) m/z Calcd. for C₁₄H₉CINO⁺ : 242.0367, [M+H]⁺ found : 242.0370.



3-(3-methoxyphenyl)-1-(pyridin-3-yl)prop-2-yn-1-one (1i)

Yellow solid (829.5 mg, 70%); $R_f = 0.34$ (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 4:1, v/v); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 400 MHz) δ (ppm): 9.45 (s, 1H), 8.852-8.845 (m, 1H), 8.43 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 7.49-7.47 (m, 1H), 7.35 (t, J = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 7.30 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.20 (s, 1H), 7.07 (dd, $J_1 = 8.1$ Hz, $J_2 = 2.1$ Hz, 1H), 3.85 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 100 MHz) δ (ppm): 176.5, 159.6, 154.4, 151.6, 136.3, 132.3, 130.0, 125.9, 123.7, 120.6, 118.2, 117.7, 94.7, 86.0, 55.6; MS (HRMS) m/z Calcd. for C₁₅H₁₂NO₂⁺ : 238.0863, [M+H]⁺ found : 238.0857.



3-(4-propylphenyl)-1-(pyridin-3-yl)prop-2-yn-1-one (1k)

Yellow oli (647.5 mg, 52%); $R_f = 0.34$ (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 4:1, v/v); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 600 MHz) δ (ppm): 9.41 (s, 1H), 8.81-8.80 (m, 1H), 8.40 (td, $J_1 = 7.9$ Hz, $J_2 = 2.0$ Hz, 1H), 7.58 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 7.45-7.43 (m, 1H), 7.21 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 2.60 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 1.66-1.60 (m, 2H), 0.92 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 150 MHz) δ (ppm): 176.5, 154.2, 151.4, 146.9, 136.3, 133.4, 132.4, 129.1, 123.6, 116.7, 95.6, 86.3, 38.2, 24.2, 13.8; MS (HRMS) m/z Calcd. for C₁₇H₁₆NO⁺ : 250.1226, [M+H]⁺ found : 250.1229.



3-(4-(tert-butyl)phenyl)-1-(pyridin-3-yl)prop-2-yn-1-one (11)

Yellow solid (723.3 mg, 55%); $R_f = 0.34$ (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 4:1, v/v); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 600 MHz) δ (ppm): 9.45 (s, 1H), 8.84-8.83 (m, 1H), 8.43 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 7.64 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 7.49-7.45 (m, 3H), 1.34 (s, 9H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃,

150 MHz) δ (ppm): 176.4, 155.3, 154.0, 151.4, 136.4, 133.3, 132.5, 126.0, 123.7, 116.5, 95.7, 86.3, 35.3, 31.1; MS (HRMS) m/z Calcd. for C₁₈H₁₈NO⁺ : 264.1383, [M+H]⁺ found : 264.1387.



1-(pyridin-3-yl)-3-(thiophen-3-yl)prop-2-yn-1-one (1m)

Yellow solid (511.2 mg, 48%); $R_f = 0.33$ (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 4:1, v/v); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 600 MHz) δ (ppm): 9.42 (s, 1H), 8.842-8.835 (m, 1H), 8.41 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 7.90 (s, 1H), 7.48-7.46 (m, 1H), 7.41-7.39 (m, 1H), 7.34 (d, J = 5.1 Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 150 MHz) δ (ppm): 176.5, 154.3, 151.5, 136.2, 134.8, 132.3, 130.4, 126.6, 123.6, 119.0, 90.2, 86.8; MS (HRMS) m/z Calcd. for C₁₂H₈NOS⁺ : 214.0321, [M+H]⁺ found : 214.0315.



1-(6-bromopyridin-3-yl)-3-phenylprop-2-yn-1-one (10)

Yellow solid (954.8 mg, 67%); $R_f = 0.32$ (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 4:1, v/v); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 600 MHz) δ (ppm): 9.15 (s, 1H), 8.24 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 1H), 7.66 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 7.64 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 1H), 7.51 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.43 (t, J = 7.7 Hz, 2H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 150 MHz) δ (ppm): 175.3, 151.9, 147.9, 138.2, 133.4, 131.5, 128.9, 128.4, 119.4, 95.3, 86.2; MS (HRMS) m/z Calcd. for C₁₄H₉BrNO⁺ : 285.9862, [M+H]⁺ found : 285.9865.



1-(6-chloropyridin-3-yl)-3-phenylprop-2-yn-1-one (1p)

Yellow solid (735.1 mg, 61%); $R_f = 0.32$ (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 4:1, v/v); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 600 MHz) δ (ppm): 9.23 (s, 1H), 8.38 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 7.70 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 7.54 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 7.50 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 1H), 7.46 (t, J = 7.7 Hz, 2H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 100 MHz) δ (ppm): 175.1, 156.6, 151.8, 138.7, 133.4, 131.6, 131.3,

129.0, 124.6, 119.4, 95.3, 86.2; MS (HRMS) m/z Calcd. for C₁₄H₉ClNO⁺ : 242.0367, [M+H]⁺ found : 242.0364.



1-([2,3'-bipyridin]-5-yl)-3-phenylprop-2-yn-1-one (1t)

White solid (511.2 mg, 48%); $R_f = 0.30$ (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 1:1, v/v); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 600 MHz) δ (ppm): 9.538-9.536 (m, 1H), 9.32 (s, 1H), 8.74 (s, 1H), 8.53 (dd, $J_1 = 8.3$ Hz, $J_2 = 2.2$ Hz, 1H), 8.43 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.93 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 7.72 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 2H), 7.53 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.48-7.45 (m, 3H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 150 MHz) δ (ppm): 176.5, 150.3, 149.8, 139.2, 133.3, 132.7, 131.3, 129.8, 129.7, 129.5, 128.9, 127.9, 126.9, 119.8, 94.8, 86.6; MS (HRMS) m/z Calcd. for C₁₉H₁₃N₂O⁺ : 285.1022, [M+H]⁺ found : 285.1024.



3-phenyl-1-(2-phenylpyridin-3-yl)prop-2-yn-1-one (1u)

Light yellow solid (1.188 g, 42% in total); $R_f = 0.32$ (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 4:1, v/v); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 600 MHz) δ (ppm): 8.80-8.79 (m, 1H), 8.18 (dd, $J_1 = 7.8$ Hz, $J_2 = 1.7$ Hz, 1H), 7.66 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.45 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 2H), 7.39 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 7.37-7.35 (m, 1H), 7.33 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.23 (t, J = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 7.16 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 2H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 150 MHz) δ (ppm): 179.7, 159.3, 151.9, 139.6, 137.8, 134.1, 133.1, 130.9, 130.1, 129.5, 128.53, 128.45, 122.0, 119.7, 94.9, 88.5; MS (HRMS) m/z Calcd. for C₂₀H₁₄NO⁺ : 284.1070, [M+H]⁺ found : 284.1073.



6-cyclohexyl-7-phenyl-5H-cyclopenta[b]pyridin-5-one (3a)

Yellow oil (56.3 mg, 78%); $R_f = 0.40$ (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 10:1, v/v); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 600 MHz) δ (ppm): 8.43 (d, J = 5.2 Hz, 1H), 7.65 (d, J = 7.1 Hz, 1H), 7.57-7.52 (m, 4H), 7.48 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.09-7.07 (m, 1H), 2.70-2.65 (m, 1H), 1.96-1.89 (m, 2H), 1.81-1.77 (m, 2H), 1.68-1.63 (m, 2H), 1.35-1.22 (m, 4H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 150 MHz) δ (ppm): 196.2, 167.2, 153.4, 151.9, 142.7, 131.3, 129.5, 129.0, 128.62, 128.55, 125.4, 122.1, 36.4, 31.0, 26.5, 25.8; MS (HRMS) m/z Calcd. for C₂₀H₂₀NO⁺ : 290.1539, [M+H]⁺ found : 290.1545.



6-cyclohexyl-7-(2-fluorophenyl)-5H-cyclopenta[b]pyridin-5-one (3b)

Yellow oil (47.6 mg, 62%); $R_f = 0.42$ (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 10:1, v/v); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 600 MHz) δ (ppm): 8.41 (d, J = 5.2 Hz, 1H), 7.65 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 1H), 7.48-7.45 (m, 1H), 7.42 (t, J = 7.3 Hz, 1H), 7.30 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.24 (t, J = 9.0 Hz, 1H), 7.09-7.06 (m, 1H), 2.46-2.42 (m, 1H), 1.81-1.75 (m, 4H), 1.67-1.65 (m, 3H), 1.28-1.17 (m, 3H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 100 MHz) δ (ppm): 195.7, 166.9, 159.7 (d, J = 247.4 Hz), 152.3, 148.5, 145.0, 131.2 (d, J = 8.1 Hz), 130.7 (d, J = 3.1 Hz), 128.8, 124.9, 124.3 (d, J = 2.5 Hz), 122.2, 119.5, 116.3 (d, J = 21.6 Hz), 37.1, 30.7, 26.5, 25.8. MS (HRMS) m/z Calcd. for C₂₀H₁₉FNO⁺ : 308.1445, [M+H]⁺ found : 308.1442.



6-cyclohexyl-7-(3-fluorophenyl)-5H-cyclopenta[b]pyridin-5-one (3c)

 245.2 Hz), 152.0, 143.2, 133.3 (d, J = 8.1 Hz), 130.2 (d, J = 8.4 Hz), 128.9, 125.1, 124.8 (d, J = 3.4 Hz), 122.3, 116.4 (d, J = 21.0 Hz), 116.1 (d, J = 22.3 Hz), 36.5, 31.0, 26.5, 25.7; MS (HRMS) m/z Calcd. for C₂₀H₁₉FNO⁺ : 308.1445, [M+H]⁺ found : 308.1440.



6-cyclohexyl-7-(4-fluorophenyl)-5H-cyclopenta[b]pyridin-5-one (3d)

Yellow oil (59.9 mg, 78%); $R_f = 0.41$ (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 10:1, v/v); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 400 MHz) δ (ppm): 8.42 (d, J = 5.3 Hz, 1H), 7.66 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.59-7.55 (m, 2H), 7.23 (t, J = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 7.11-7.08 (m, 1H), 2.67-2.60 (m, 1H), 1.97-1.88 (m, 2H), 1.81-1.78 (m, 2H), 1.71-1.62 (m, 3H), 1.34-1.21 (m, 3H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 150 MHz) δ (ppm): 196.0, 166.9, 163.4 (d, J = 248.4 Hz), 152.2, 151.8, 142.6, 131.1 (d, J = 8.1 Hz), 128.7, 127.2 (d, J = 3.4 Hz), 125.3, 122.3, 115.8 (d, J = 21.5 Hz), 36.5, 31.0, 26.5, 25.7; MS (HRMS) m/z Calcd. for C₂₀H₁₉FNO⁺: 308.1445, [M+H]⁺ found : 308.1443.



6-cyclohexyl-7-(2-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)-5H-cyclopenta[b]pyridin-5-one (3e) Yellow oil (61.6 mg, 69%); $R_f = 0.40$ (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 10:1, v/v); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 600 MHz) δ (ppm): 8.36 (dd, J_1 = 5.3 Hz, J_2 = 1.6 Hz, 1H), 7.85 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 7.69-7.65 (m, 2H), 7.59 (t, J = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 7.29 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.08-7.05 (m, 1H), 2.27-2.22 (m, 1H), 1.74-1.68 (m, 3H), 1.67-1.63 (m, 2H), 1.59-1.55 (m, 2H), 1.20-1.10 (m, 3H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 150 MHz) δ (ppm): 195.6, 168.0, 152.9, 152.6, 144.5, 132.2, 130.8 (q, J = 10.9 Hz), 129.8, 129.1, 128.9, 127.0 (q, J = 19.9 Hz), 124.8, 124.2, 123.0, 122.2, 36.8, 31.0, 30.3, 26.44, 26.35, 25.7. MS (HRMS) m/z Calcd. for C₂₁H₁₉F₃NO⁺ : 358.1413, [M+H]⁺ found : 358.1415.



7-(3-chlorophenyl)-6-cyclohexyl-5H-cyclopenta[b]pyridin-5-one (3f)

Yellow oil (56.5 mg, 70%); $R_f = 0.42$ (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 10:1, v/v); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 400 MHz) δ (ppm): 8.42 (d, J = 5.2 Hz, 1H), 7.65 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.55 (s, 1H), 7.47-7.42 (m, 3H), 7.09 (t, J = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 2.64-2.60 (m, 1H), 1.92-1.86 (m, 2H), 1.81-1.78 (m, 2H), 1.70-1.68 (m, 1H), 1.64-1.62 (m, 2H), 1.32-1.22 (m, 3H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 150 MHz) δ (ppm): 195.8, 166.7, 152.0, 151.8, 143.3, 134.6, 133.0, 129.9, 129.6, 129.1, 128.1, 127.2, 125.0, 122.3, 36.5, 31.0, 26.5, 25.7; MS (HRMS) m/z Calcd. for C₂₀H₁₉ClNO⁺ : 324.1150, [M+H]⁺ found : 324.1153.



7-(4-chlorophenyl)-6-cyclohexyl-5H-cyclopenta[b]pyridin-5-one (3g)

Yellow oil (59.8 mg, 74%); $R_f = 0.43$ (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 10:1, v/v); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 600 MHz) δ (ppm): 8.42 (d, J = 5.2 Hz, 1H), 7.65 (d, J = 7.1 Hz, 1H), 7.510-7.508 (m, 4H), 7.10-7.08 (m, 1H), 2.64-2.60 (m, 1H), 1.94-1.87 (m, 2H), 1.81-1.78 (m, 2H), 1.70-1.68 (m, 1H), 1.63-1.61 (m, 2H), 1.30-1.22 (m, 3H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 150 MHz) δ (ppm): 195.9, 166.8, 152.1, 151.9, 142.9, 135.6, 130.4, 129.6, 128.9, 128.8, 125.2, 122.3, 36.5, 31.0, 26.5, 25.7; MS (HRMS) m/z Calcd. for C₂₀H₁₉ClNO⁺ : 324.1150, [M+H]⁺ found : 324.1144.



6-cyclohexyl-7-(p-tolyl)-5H-cyclopenta[b]pyridin-5-one (3h)

Yellow oil (60.6 mg, 80%); $R_f = 0.42$ (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 10:1, v/v); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 400 MHz) δ (ppm): 8.42 (d, J = 5.3 Hz, 1H), 7.63 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.48 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 2H), 7.34 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 2H), 7.08-7.05 (m, 1H), 2.72-2.65 (m, 1H), 2.44 (s, 3H), 1.98-1.88 (m, 2H), 1.80-1.77 (m, 2H), 1.70-1.62 (m, 3H), 1.31-1.21 (m, 3H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 100 MHz) δ (ppm): 196.3, 167.2, 153.5, 151.8, 142.1, 139.7, 129.3, 129.0, 128.5, 128.3, 125.5, 122.1, 36.5, 31.0, 26.6, 25.8, 21.7; MS (HRMS) m/z Calcd. for C₂₁H₂₂NO⁺ : 304.1696, [M+H]⁺ found : 304.1700.



6-cyclohexyl-7-(3-methoxyphenyl)-5H-cyclopenta[b]pyridin-5-one (3i)

Yellow oil (58.2 mg, 73%); $R_f = 0.43$ (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 10:1, v/v); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 400 MHz) δ (ppm): 8.44-8.42 (m, 1H), 7.64 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.45 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.14 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.10-7.06 (m, 2H), 7.02 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 1H), 3.87 (s, 3H), 2.72-2.65 (m, 1H), 1.96-1.87 (m, 2H), 1.80-1.77 (m, 2H), 1.70-1.62 (m, 3H), 1.34-1.21 (m, 3H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 150 MHz) δ (ppm): 196.2, 167.1, 159.6, 153.3, 151.9, 142.8, 132.5, 129.7, 128.6, 125.3, 122.1, 121.3, 115.2, 114.5, 55.3, 36.5, 31.0, 26.5, 25.8; MS (HRMS) m/z Calcd. for C₂₁H₂₂NO₂⁺ : 320.1645, [M+H]⁺ found : 320.1648.



6-cyclohexyl-7-(p-tolyl)-5H-cyclopenta[b]pyridin-5-one (3j)

Yellow solid (59.1 mg, 74%); $R_f = 0.41$ (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 10:1, v/v); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 400 MHz) δ (ppm): 8.43-8.41 (m, 1H), 7.62 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.57 (d, J = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 7.08-7.05 (m, 3H), 3.88 (s, 3H), 2.73-2.66 (m, 1H), 2.00-1.91 (m, 2H), 1.81-1.78 (m, 2H), 1.70-1.62 (m, 3H), 1.34-1.22 (m, 3H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 150 MHz) δ (ppm): 196.3, 167.1, 160.7, 153.0, 151.6, 141.6, 130.7, 128.4, 125.6, 123.5, 122.1, 114.1, 55.4, 36.5, 31.0, 26.6, 25.8; MS (HRMS) m/z Calcd. for C₂₁H₂₂NO₂⁺ : 320.1645, [M+H]⁺ found : 320.1646.



6-cyclohexyl-7-(4-propylphenyl)-5H-cyclopenta[b]pyridin-5-one (3k)

Yellow oil (56.3 mg, 68%); $R_f = 0.41$ (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 10:1, v/v); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 600 MHz) δ (ppm): 8.43-8.41 (m, 1H), 7.63 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.50 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.34 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 2H), 7.07 (t, J = 6.2 Hz, 1H), 2.71-2.65 (m, 3H), 1.97-1.91 (m, 2H), 1.80-1.78 (m, 2H), 1.73-1.70 (m, 3H), 1.65-1.63 (m, 2H), 1.29-1.20 (m, 2H), 1.01 (t, J = 7.3 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 100 MHz) δ (ppm): 196.3, 167.2, 153.4, 151.8, 144.5, 142.2, 129.0, 128.7, 128.49, 128.48, 125.5, 122.1, 38.2, 36.5, 31.0, 26.5, 25.8, 24.4, 14.1; MS (HRMS) m/z Calcd. for C₂₃H₂₆NO⁺ : 332.2009, [M+H]⁺ found : 332.2016.



7-(4-(tert-butyl)phenyl)-6-cyclohexyl-5H-cyclopenta[b]pyridin-5-one (3l)

Yellow oil (57.8 mg, 70%); $R_f = 0.42$ (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 10:1, v/v); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 600 MHz) δ (ppm): 8.44 (dd, $J_1 = 5.2$ Hz, $J_2 = 1.5$ Hz, 1H), 7.63 (dd, $J_1 = 7.2$ Hz, $J_2 = 1.6$ Hz, 1H), 7.56-7.53 (m, 4H), 7.08-7.06 (m, 1H), 2.74-2.69 (m, 1H), 2.00-1.93 (m, 2H), 1.81-1.78 (m, 2H), 1.70-1.68 (m, 1H), 1.67-1.63 (m, 2H), 1.39 (s, 9H), 1.33-1.29 (m, 3H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 150 MHz) δ (ppm): 196.3, 167.1, 153.2, 152.7, 151.7, 142.2, 128.8, 128.5, 128.2, 125.59, 125.55, 122.1, 36.5, 35.0, 31.3, 31.0, 26.5, 25.8; MS (HRMS) m/z Calcd. for C₂₄H₂₈NO⁺ : 346.2165, [M+H]⁺ found : 346.2162.



6-cyclohexyl-7-(thiophen-3-yl)-5H-cyclopenta[b]pyridin-5-one (3m)

Yellow oil (53.1 mg, 72%); $R_f = 0.40$ (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 10:1, v/v); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 600 MHz) δ (ppm): 8.46 (d, J = 5.2 Hz, 1H), 8.07 (s, 1H), 7.64 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.52-7.51 (m, 1H), 7.50-7.49 (m, 1H), 7.11-7.09 (m, 1H), 2.87-2.83 (m, 1H), 2.04-1.97 (m, 2H), 1.85-1.83 (m, 2H), 1.74-1.72 (m, 1H), 1.68-1.66 (m, 2H), 1.36-1.31 (m, 3H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 150 MHz) δ (ppm): 196.1, 166.7, 151.6, 147.4, 141.3, 131.7, 128.6, 128.4, 128.3, 125.8, 125.7, 122.2, 37.1, 30.8, 26.7, 25.8; MS (HRMS) m/z Calcd. for C₁₈H₁₈NOS⁺ : 296.1104, [M+H]⁺ found : 296.1100.



2-cyclohexyl-3-phenyl-1H-cyclopenta[b]quinolin-1-one (3n)

Yellow solid (62.7 mg, 74%); $R_f = 0.38$ (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 10:1, v/v); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 600 MHz) δ (ppm): 8.93 (s, 1H), 8.03 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 7.65-7.62 (m, 1H), 7.58-7.56 (m, 3H), 7.39-7.37 (m, 2H), 7.20-7.17 (m, 1H), 7.06 (d, J = 8.7 Hz, 1H), 2.39-2.34 (m, 1H), 1.75-1.72 (m, 3H), 1.65-1.58 (m, 5H), 1.23-1.14 (m, 2H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 150 MHz) δ (ppm): 198.1, 153.51, 153.47, 153.2, 142.3, 141.6, 134.9, 131.5, 130.6, 129.1, 128.9, 128.2, 127.0, 125.0, 122.7, 120.1, 36.0, 31.2, 26.5, 25.7; MS (HRMS) m/z Calcd. for C₂₄H₂₂NO⁺ : 340.1696, [M+H]⁺ found : 340.1700.



2-bromo-6-cyclohexyl-7-phenyl-5H-cyclopenta[b]pyridin-5-one (30)

Yellow oil (73.4 mg, 80%); $R_f = 0.65$ (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 10:1, v/v); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 600 MHz) δ (ppm): 7.58 (d, J = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 7.53 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 2H), 7.50-7.48 (m, 2H), 7.32 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 2.72-2.67 (m, 1H), 1.96-1.89 (m, 2H), 1.81-1.77 (m, 2H), 1.70-1.63 (m, 3H), 1.34-1.21 (m, 3H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 150 MHz) δ (ppm): 195.1, 168.3, 152.1, 145.6, 143.4, 130.5, 130.4, 129.8, 129.2, 128.5, 126.1, 123.9, 36.6, 31.0, 26.5, 25.7; MS (HRMS) m/z Calcd. for C₂₀H₁₉BrNO⁺ : 368.0645, [M+H]⁺ found : 368.0649.



2-chloro-6-cyclohexyl-7-phenyl-5H-cyclopenta[b]pyridin-5-one (3p)

Yellow oil (63.4 mg, 79%); $R_f = 0.63$ (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 10:1, v/v); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 400 MHz) δ (ppm): 7.60-7.48 (m, 6H), 7.14 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 2.73-2.66 (m, 1H), 1.97-1.88 (m, 2H), 1.81-1.78 (m, 2H), 1.70-1.62 (m, 3H), 1.34-1.21 (m, 3H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 150 MHz) δ (ppm): 194.9, 168.2, 154.6, 152.1,

143.5, 130.7, 130.5, 129.8, 129.2, 128.6, 123.7, 122.2, 36.6, 30.9, 26.5, 25.7; MS (HRMS) m/z Calcd. for C₂₀H₁₉ClNO⁺ : 324.1150, [M+H]⁺ found : 324.1153.



3-bromo-6-cyclohexyl-7-phenyl-5H-cyclopenta[b]pyridin-5-one (3q)

Yellow oil (67.8 mg, 76%); $R_f = 0.45$ (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 10:1, v/v); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 600 MHz) δ (ppm): 8.49 (s, 1H), 7.75 (s, 1H), 7.54-7.53 (m, 4H), 7.51-7.48 (m, 1H), 2.68-2.63 (m, 1H), 1.93-1.86 (m, 2H), 1.80-1.78 (m, 2H), 1.70-1.68 (m, 1H), 1.64-1.62 (m, 2H), 1.30-1.25 (m, 3H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 150 MHz) δ (ppm): 194.7, 165.1, 153.3, 152.3, 143.0, 131.5, 130.7, 129.8, 128.9, 128.6, 126.7, 119.7, 36.5, 30.9, 26.4, 25.7; MS (HRMS) m/z Calcd. for C₂₀H₁₉BrNO⁺ : 368.0645, [M+H]⁺ found : 368.0649.



1-chloro-6-cyclohexyl-5-phenyl-7H-cyclopenta[c]pyridin-7-one (3r)

Yellow oil (55.7 mg, 69%); $R_f = 0.32$ (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 10:1, v/v); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 400 MHz) δ (ppm): 8.54-8.53 (m, 1H), 7.62 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.48 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 1H), 7.42-7.39 (m, 1H), 7.30-7.28 (m, 1H), 7.21 (t, J = 7.0 Hz, 1H), 6.61 (d, J = 7.1 Hz, 1H), 2.32-2.23 (m, 1H), 1.72-1.63 (m, 5H), 1.31-1.24 (m, 2H), 1.21-1.14 (m, 3H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 150 MHz) δ (ppm): 194.0, 157.7, 155.5, 150.9, 145.0, 142.3, 131.6, 129.7, 129.2, 127.9, 120.8, 115.1, 36.3, 30.9, 26.4, 25.7; MS (HRMS) m/z Calcd. for C₂₀H₁₉ClNO⁺ : 324.1150, [M+H]⁺ found : 324.1154.



6-cyclohexyl-7-phenyl-5H-cyclopenta[c]pyridin-5-one (3s)

Yellow oil (56.4 mg, 78%); $R_f = 0.40$ (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 10:1, v/v); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 600 MHz) δ (ppm): 8.67 (s, 1H), 8.26 (s, 1H), 7.56 (t, J = 7.3 Hz, 2H), 7.51 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 7.43 (d, J = 6.9 Hz, 2H), 7.33-7.32 (m, 1H), 2.57-2.52 (m, 1H), 1.89-1.84 (m, 2H), 1.78-1.75 (m, 2H), 1.68-1.65 (m, 1H), 1.60-1.58 (m, 2H), 1.29-1.19 (m, 3H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 150 MHz) δ (ppm): 197.2, 155.4, 152.1, 140.4, 140.0, 137.7, 132.3, 129.7, 129.1, 127.8, 115.7, 36.0, 31.0, 26.5, 25.7; MS (HRMS) m/z Calcd. for C₂₀H₂₀NO⁺: 290.1539, [M+H]⁺ found : 290.1543.



6-cyclohexyl-7-phenyl-2-(pyridin-3-yl)-5H-cyclopenta[b]pyridin-5-one (3t)

White solid (73.2 mg, 80%); $R_f = 0.30$ (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 3:1, v/v); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 600 MHz) δ (ppm): 9.24 (s, 1H), 8.64-8.63 (m, 1H), 8.29 (td, $J_1 = 8.0$ Hz, $J_2 = 2.0$ Hz, 1H), 7.74 (d, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.69-7.67 (m, 2H), 7.58-7.55 (m, 3H), 7.52-7.49 (m, 1H), 7.38-7.36 (m, 1H), 2.78-2.73 (m, 1H), 2.01-1.95 (m, 2H), 1.82-1.80 (m, 3H), 1.71-1.66 (m, 2H), 1.36-1.31 (m, 1H), 1.29-1.23 (m, 2H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 150 MHz) δ (ppm): 195.8, 167.6, 156.8, 152.6, 150.4, 148.5, 143.6, 134.4, 134.2, 131.1, 129.6, 129.44, 129.42, 128.4, 124.4, 123.6, 118.3, 36.7, 31.0, 26.5, 25.8; MS (HRMS) m/z Calcd. for C₂₅H₂₃N₂O⁺ : 367.1805, [M+H]⁺ found : 367.1806.



6-cyclohexyl-1,5-diphenyl-7H-cyclopenta[c]pyridin-7-one (3u)

Yellow solid (59.3 mg, 65%); $R_f = 0.34$ (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 10:1, v/v); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 600 MHz) δ (ppm): 8.64 (d, J = 4.6 Hz, 1H), 7.87-7.86 (m, 2H), 7.56 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 7.52-7.48 (m, 4H), 7.39 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 6.89 (d, J = 4.7 Hz, 1H), 2.59-2.54 (m, 1H), 1.87-1.82 (m, 2H), 1.75-1.73 (m, 2H), 1.66-1.63 (m, 1H), 1.60-1.58 (m, 2H), 1.24-1.16 (m, 3H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 150 MHz) δ (ppm): 196.5, 155.9, 155.0, 154.4, 151.6, 141.5, 136.9, 132.1, 129.7, 129.4, 129.0, 128.1, 127.9, 120.6, 114.5, 36.3, 30.9, 26.5, 25.7; MS (HRMS) m/z Calcd. for C₂₆H₂₄NO⁺ : 366.1852, [M+H]⁺ found : 366.1853.



6-cyclopentyl-7-phenyl-5H-cyclopenta[b]pyridin-5-one (4a)

Yellow oil (55.0 mg, 80%); $R_f = 0.41$ (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 10:1, v/v); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 600 MHz) δ (ppm): 8.43 (d, J = 5.2 Hz, 1H), 7.64 (d, J = 7.3 Hz, 1H), 7.60 (d, J = 7.3 Hz, 2H), 7.53 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 7.47 (t, J = 7.3 Hz, 1H), 7.09-7.06 (m, 1H), 3.07-3.01 (m, 1H), 1.97-1.89 (m, 4H), 1.84-1.80 (m, 2H), 1.62-1.59 (m, 2H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 150 MHz) δ (ppm): 196.1, 167.0, 153.9, 151.9, 141.6, 131.2, 129.5, 129.1, 128.6, 128.5, 125.6, 122.1, 36.7, 32.4, 26.6; MS (HRMS) m/z Calcd. for C₁₉H₁₈NO⁺ : 276.1383, [M+H]⁺ found : 276.1387.



6-cycloheptyl-7-phenyl-5H-cyclopenta[b]pyridin-5-one (4b)

Yellow oil (56.1 mg, 74%); $R_f = 0.40$ (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 10:1, v/v); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 400 MHz) δ (ppm): 8.43-8.42 (m, 1H), 7.64 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.58-7.56 (m, 2H), 7.53 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 7.47 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 7.09-7.07 (m, 1H), 2.83-2.78 (m, 1H), 2.02-1.95 (m, 2H), 1.82-1.78 (m, 2H), 1.72-1.68 (m, 2H), 1.61-1.57 (m, 4H), 1.46-1.41 (m, 2H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 100 MHz) δ (ppm): 196.3, 167.4, 151.8, 151.7, 144.4, 131.3, 129.5, 129.1, 128.6, 128.5, 125.3, 122.1, 37.7, 33.4, 27.9, 27.8; MS (HRMS) m/z Calcd. for C₂₁H₂₂NO⁺: 304.1696, [M+H]⁺ found : 304.1701.



6-cyclooctyl-7-phenyl-5H-cyclopenta[b]pyridin-5-one (4c)

Yellow oil (57.9 mg, 73%); $R_f = 0.41$ (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 10:1, v/v); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 600 MHz) δ (ppm): 8.42 (d, J = 5.2 Hz, 1H), 7.64 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.58 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 7.53 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 7.47 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 7.09-7.07 (m, 1H), 2.95-2.90 (m, 1H), 2.04-1.99 (m, 2H), 1.80-1.75 (m, 2H), 1.66-1.61 (m, 3H), 1.57-1.53 (m, 4H), 1.48-1.44 (m, 3H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 150 MHz) δ (ppm): 196.3, 167.4, 151.8, 151.5, 145.2, 131.2, 129.5, 129.0, 128.6, 128.5, 125.3, 122.1, 35.1, 32.3, 26.5, 26.4, 26.3; MS (HRMS) m/z Calcd. for C₂₁H₂₂NO⁺ : 318.1852, [M+H]⁺ found : 318.1856.



(S)-6-(hexan-2-yl)-7-phenyl-5H-cyclopenta[b]pyridin-5-one(4d)/(S)-6-(hexan-3-yl)-7-phenyl-5H-cyclopenta[b]pyridin-5-one (4d')

Yellow oil (50.9 mg, 70%); $R_f = 0.40$ (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 10:1, v/v); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 600 MHz) δ (ppm): 8.43 (d, J = 5.1 Hz, 1H), 7.65 (d, J = 7.1 Hz, 1H),

7.55-7.51 (m, 4H), 7.47-7.45 (m, 1H), 7.10-7.08 (m, 1H), 2.88-2.82 (m, 0.6H), 2.68-2.63 (m, 0.4H), 1.84-1.76 (m, 2.5H), 1.68-1.63 (m, 0.5H), 1.61-1.53 (m, 1.3H), 1.30 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 1.8H), 1.22-1.15 (m, 2.9H), 0.86 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 1.8H), 0.81 (t, J = 6.9 Hz, 1.2H), 0.79 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 1.2H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 100 MHz) δ (ppm): 196.4, 196.2, 167.3, 167.2, 155.9, 154.2, 152.0, 151.9, 142.7, 141.4, 131.3, 131.2, 131.0, 129.5, 129.3, 128.93, 128.86, 128.74, 128.65, 128.64, 128.54, 128.53, 125.4, 125.3, 122.2, 38.5, 36.0, 34.9, 31.3, 30.5, 27.0, 22.7, 21.5, 19.8, 14.2, 14.1, 12.9; MS (HRMS) m/z Calcd. for C₂₀H₂₂NO⁺ : 292.1696, [M+H]⁺ found : 292.1690.



(R)-6-(cyclopent-2-en-1-yl)-7-phenyl-5H-cyclopenta[b]pyridin-5-one (4e)

Yellow oil (45.9 mg, 67%); $R_f = 0.40$ (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 10:1, v/v);¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 600 MHz) δ (ppm): 8.44 (dd, $J_1 = 5.3$ Hz, $J_2 = 1.6$ Hz, 1H), 7.65 (dd, $J_1 = 7.2$ Hz, $J_2 = 1.5$ Hz, 1H), 7.61 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 7.52 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 7.47 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 7.11-7.08 (m, 1H), 5.89-5.87 (m, 1H), 5.61-5.59 (m, 1H), 4.00-3.97 (m, 1H), 2.69-2.63 (m, 1H), 2.43-2.39 (m, 1H), 2.23-2.18 (m, 1H), 2.05-2.00 (m, 1H);¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 150 MHz) δ (ppm): 195.8, 167.1, 154.1, 151.9, 140.1, 132.4, 131.7, 131.0, 129.7, 129.3, 128.7, 128.4, 125.4, 122.3, 41.9, 33.0, 30.0; MS (HRMS) m/z Calcd. for C₁₉H₁₆NO⁺ : 274.1226, [M+H]⁺ found : 274.1223.



(R)-6-(cyclohex-2-en-1-yl)-7-phenyl-5H-cyclopenta[b]pyridin-5-one (4f)

Yellow oil (48.8 mg, 68%); $R_f = 0.40$ (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 10:1, v/v);¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 600 MHz) δ (ppm): 8.44 (dd, $J_1 = 5.2$ Hz, $J_2 = 1.6$ Hz, 1H), 7.67 (dd, $J_1 = 7.2$ Hz, $J_2 = 1.6$ Hz, 1H), 7.59 (d, J = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 7.51 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 2H), 7.46 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.11-7.09 (m, 1H), 5.79-5.75 (m, 1H), 5.50-5.48 (m, 1H), 3.57-3.52

(m, 1H), 2.17-2.12 (m, 1H), 2.06-2.01 (m, 1H), 1.97-1.92 (m, 1H), 1.89-1.83 (m, 2H), 1.61-1.56 (m, 1H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 150 MHz) δ (ppm): 195.8, 167.2, 154.5, 151.9, 141.2, 131.0, 129.7, 129.2, 128.8, 128.4, 128.2, 128.0, 125.3, 122.3, 33.3, 28.4, 24.7, 22.5; MS (HRMS) m/z Calcd. for C₂₀H₁₈NO⁺ : 288.1383, [M+H]⁺ found : 288.1380.



6-benzyl-7-phenyl-5H-cyclopenta[b]pyridin-5-one (4g)

Yellow oil (8.9 mg, 12%); $R_f = 0.38$ (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 10:1, v/v); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 600 MHz) δ (ppm): 8.50-8.49 (m, 1H), 7.72 (dd, $J_1 = 7.2$ Hz, $J_2 = 1.6$ Hz, 1H), 7.70-7.68 (m, 2H), 7.53-7.48 (m, 3H), 7.33-7.30 (m, 1H), 7.27-7.26 (m, 1H), 7.21-7.19 (m, 3H), 7.15-7.13 (m, 1H), 3.87 (s, 2H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 100 MHz) δ (ppm): 195.9, 167.4, 154.8, 151.9, 138.8, 136.7, 130.9, 130.0, 129.11, 129.06, 128.71, 128.66, 128.5, 126.4, 125.3, 122.4, 29.3; MS (HRMS) m/z Calcd. for C₂₁H₁₆NO⁺: 298.1226, [M+H]⁺ found : 298.1224.



6-(naphthalen-1-ylmethyl)-7-phenyl-5H-cyclopenta[b]pyridin-5-one (4h)

Yellow oil (22.6 mg, 26%); $R_f = 0.39$ (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 10:1, v/v); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 600 MHz) δ (ppm): 8.53 (dd, $J_1 = 5.3$ Hz, $J_2 = 1.3$ Hz, 1H), 7.92 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 7.87 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 7.75 (d, J = 7.3 Hz, 2H), 7.70-7.68 (m, 2H), 7.50 (t, J = 6.8 Hz, 1H), 7.47 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.44-7.43 (m, 3H), 7.36 (t, J = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 7.28-7.27 (m, 1H), 7.18-7.16 (m, 1H), 4.31 (s, 2H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 100 MHz) δ (ppm): 195.8, 167.3, 155.5, 151.9, 136.2, 134.4, 133.9, 131.9, 130.8, 130.2, 129.2, 129.0, 128.8, 128.7, 127.3, 126.1, 125.8, 125.63, 125.60, 125.5, 123.6, 122.4, 26.7; MS (HRMS) m/z Calcd. for C₂₅H₁₈NO⁺: 348.1383, [M+H]⁺ found : 348.1387.



6-(2-isopropoxybenzyl)-7-phenyl-5H-cyclopenta[b]pyridin-5-one (4i)

Yellow oil (30.2 mg, 35%); $R_f = 0.38$ (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 10:1, v/v); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 600 MHz) δ (ppm): 8.49 (dd, $J_1 = 5.3$ Hz, $J_2 = 1.6$ Hz, 1H), 7.71 (dd, $J_1 = 7.1$ Hz, $J_2 = 1.6$ Hz, 1H), 7.69-7.67 (m, 2H), 7.46-7.42 (m, 3H), 7.16-7.12 (m, 2H), 7.07 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 6.84 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 6.80 (d, J = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 4.57-4.53 (m, 1H), 3.85 (s, 2H), 1.26 (d, J = 6.0 Hz, 6H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 150 MHz) δ (ppm): 195.9, 167.5, 155.5, 151.8, 137.1, 131.0, 129.8, 129.4, 129.3, 129.2, 128.9, 128.5, 128.0, 127.4, 125.6, 122.2, 120.2, 112.8, 70.1, 24.1, 22.2; MS (HRMS) m/z Calcd. for C₂₄H₂₂NO₂⁺: 356.1645, [M+H]⁺ found : 356.1648.



6-((2'-methyl-[1,1'-biphenyl]-2-yl)methyl)-7-phenyl-5H-cyclopenta[b]pyridin-5-o ne (4j)

Yellow oil (54.2 mg, 56%); $R_f = 0.37$ (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 10:1, v/v); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 600 MHz) δ (ppm): 8.49 (dd, $J_1 = 5.3$ Hz, $J_2 = 1.6$ Hz, 1H), 7.68 (dd, $J_1 = 7.2$ Hz, $J_2 = 1.6$ Hz, 1H), 7.62-7.61 (m, 2H), 7.45-7.41 (m, 3H), 7.26-7.25 (m, 1H), 7.23-7.22 (m, 2H), 7.20-7.19 (m, 1H), 7.18-7.17 (m, 2H), 7.16-7.14 (m, 2H), 7.13-7.12 (m, 1H), 3.62 (d, J = 16.3 Hz, 1H), 3.53 (d, J = 16.2 Hz, 1H), 2.11 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 150 MHz) δ (ppm): 195.4, 167.2, 154.9, 151.8, 141.4, 140.9, 136.60, 136.59, 136.1, 130.7, 130.1, 130.0, 129.8, 129.6, 129.03, 129.0, 128.5, 127.9, 127.6, 127.5, 126.4, 125.7, 125.4, 27.6, 20.0; MS (HRMS) m/z Calcd. for C₂₈H₂₂NO⁺: 388.1696, [M+H]⁺ found : 388.1692.



(S)-7-phenyl-6-(1-phenylethyl)-5H-cyclopenta[b]pyridin-5-one (4k)

Yellow oil (55.2 mg, 71%); $R_f = 0.38$ (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 10:1, v/v); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 600 MHz) δ (ppm): 8.46 (d, J = 5.2 Hz, 1H), 7.65 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.57 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 7.53 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 2H), 7.50-7.48 (m, 1H), 7.33 (d, J = 7.4 Hz, 2H), 7.29 (t, J = 7.7 Hz, 2H), 7.20 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.12-7.10 (m, 1H), 4.23 (q, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 1.70 (d, J = 7.3 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 150 MHz) δ (ppm): 195.8, 167.0, 154.5, 152.0, 143.5, 141.0, 130.9, 129.8, 129.0, 128.9, 128.7, 128.5, 127.7, 126.4, 125.2, 122.5, 36.0, 19.2; MS (HRMS) m/z Calcd. for C₂₂H₁₈NO⁺ : 312.1383, [M+H]⁺ found : 312.1388.



(S)-6-(1-(3-ethylphenyl)ethyl)-7-phenyl-5H-cyclopenta[b]pyridin-5-one (4l)

Yellow oil (60.2 mg, 71%); $R_f = 0.40$ (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 10:1, v/v); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 400 MHz) δ (ppm): 8.45 (d, J = 5.1 Hz, 1H), 7.66 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.58 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 2H), 7.54 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 2H), 7.50 (t, J = 7.3 Hz, 1H), 7.22 (t, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.17-7.15 (m, 2H), 7.11-7.09 (m, 1H), 7.05 (d, J = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 4.23 (q, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 2.64 (q, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 1.70 (d, J = 7.3 Hz, 3H), 1.24 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 150 MHz) δ (ppm): 195.9, 167.1, 154.5, 152.0, 144.4, 143.5, 141.2, 131.0, 129.7, 129.0, 128.9, 128.6, 128.5, 127.3, 126.0, 125.2, 125.0, 122.4, 36.1, 29.0, 19.3, 15.7; MS (HRMS) m/z Calcd. for C₂₄H₂₂NO⁺: 340.1696, [M+H]⁺ found : 340.1699.


(R)-6-(1-(2-bromophenyl)ethyl)-7-phenyl-5H-cyclopenta[b]pyridin-5-one (4m)

Yellow oil (63.2 mg, 65%); $R_f = 0.38$ (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 10:1, v/v); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 600 MHz) δ (ppm): 8.45 (d, J = 5.2 Hz, 1H), 7.66 (d, J = 7.3 Hz, 1H), 7.58 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 7.48-7.46 (m, 4H), 7.45-7.42 (m, 2H), 7.24 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.12-7.10 (m, 1H), 7.03 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 4.50 (q, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 1.73 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 150 MHz) δ (ppm): 195.9, 166.9, 155.4, 152.1, 142.2, 139.3, 132.8, 131.1, 129.9, 129.7, 128.93, 128.9, 128.5, 128.0, 127.4, 125.1, 124.4, 122.5, 36.1, 19.7; MS (HRMS) m/z Calcd. for C₂₂H₁₇BrNO⁺: 390.0488, [M+H]⁺ found : 390.0494.



(S)-6-(1-(3-bromophenyl)ethyl)-7-phenyl-5H-cyclopenta[b]pyridin-5-one (4n)

Yellow oil (68.1 mg, 70%); $R_f = 0.40$ (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 10:1, v/v); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 600 MHz) δ (ppm): 8.47 (d, J = 5.2 Hz, 1H), 7.66 (d, J = 7.1 Hz, 1H), 7.55-7.52 (m, 4H), 7.51-7.50 (m, 1H), 7.45 (s, 1H), 7.32 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 7.24 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.16-7.11 (m, 2H), 4.20 (q, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 1.68 (d, J = 7.3 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 150 MHz) δ (ppm): 195.6, 166.8, 154.9, 152.2, 145.8, 140.1, 130.8, 130.7, 130.0, 129.9, 129.6, 129.1, 128.9, 128.7, 126.4, 125.1, 122.64, 122.6, 35.7, 19.1; MS (HRMS) m/z Calcd. for C₂₂H₁₇BrNO⁺: 390.0488, [M+H]⁺ found : 390.0490.



(S)-6-(1-(4-bromophenyl)ethyl)-7-phenyl-5H-cyclopenta[b]pyridin-5-one (40)

Yellow oil (67.1 mg, 69%); $R_f = 0.40$ (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 10:1, v/v); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 400 MHz) δ (ppm): 8.46 (d, J = 5.4 Hz, 1H), 7.65 (d, J = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 7.56-7.49 (m, 5H), 7.40 (d, J = 8.6 Hz, 2H), 7.19 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 7.11 (t, J = 6.3 Hz, 1H), 4.18 (q, J = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 1.68 (d, J = 7.5 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 150 MHz) δ (ppm): 195.7, 166.8, 154.8, 152.2, 142.5, 140.3, 131.6, 130.8, 129.9, 129.5, 129.0, 128.9, 128.7, 125.1, 122.6, 120.3, 35.6, 19.1; MS (HRMS) m/z Calcd. for C₂₂H₁₇BrNO⁺: 390.0488, [M+H]⁺ found : 390.0490.



(S)-6-(1-(4-acetylphenyl)ethyl)-7-phenyl-5H-cyclopenta[b]pyridin-5-one (4p)

Yellow oil (61.8 mg, 70%); $R_f = 0.34$ (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 10:1, v/v); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 600 MHz) δ (ppm): 8.47 (d, J = 5.2 Hz, 1H), 7.88 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 7.65 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.57-7.50 (m, 5H), 7.40 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 7.13-7.11 (m, 1H), 4.28 (q, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 2.57 (s, 3H), 1.72 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 150 MHz) δ (ppm): 197.8, 195.6, 166.8, 155.1, 152.2, 149.0, 140.0, 135.5, 130.7, 130.0, 129.0, 128.9, 128.8, 128.7, 127.9, 125.1, 122.6, 36.0, 26.6, 19.0; MS (HRMS) m/z Calcd. for C₂₄H₂₀NO₂⁺: 354.1489, [M+H]⁺ found : 354.1492.



ethyl (S)-4-(1-(5-oxo-7-phenyl-5H-cyclopenta[b]pyridin-6-yl)ethyl)benzoate (4q) Yellow oil (77.6 mg, 81%); $R_f = 0.38$ (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 10:1, v/v); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 400 MHz) δ (ppm): 8.47 (d, J = 5.2 Hz, 1H), 7.97 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 7.66 (d, J = 7.3 Hz, 1H), 7.56-7.50 (m, 5H), 7.38 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 7.13-7.11 (m, 1H), 4.36 (q, J = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 4.27 (q, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 1.71 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 3H), 1.38 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 100 MHz) δ (ppm): 195.6, 166.8, 166.6, 155.0, 152.2, 148.7, 140.1, 130.7, 130.0, 129.8, 129.0, 128.9, 128.75, 128.71, 127.6, 125.1, 122.6, 60.9, 36.0, 19.0, 14.4; MS (HRMS) m/z Calcd. for C₂₅H₂₂NO₃⁺: 384.1594, [M+H]⁺ found : 384.1589.



ethyl (S)-2-(1-(5-oxo-7-phenyl-5H-cyclopenta[b]pyridin-6-yl)ethyl)benzoate (4r) Yellow oil (46.8 mg, 53%); $R_f = 0.37$ (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 10:1, v/v); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 600 MHz) δ (ppm): 8.44-8.43 (m, 1H), 7.71-7.68 (m, 2H), 7.60 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.40-7.37 (m, 4H), 7.36-7.33 (m, 2H), 7.21 (d, J = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 7.14-7.11 (m, 1H), 5.00 (q, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 4.11 (q, J = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 1.69 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 3H), 1.23 (t, J = 7.1 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 100 MHz) δ (ppm): 196.3, 168.1, 166.9, 151.9, 144.5, 141.5, 131.7, 130.4, 130.2, 129.5, 129.1, 128.9, 128.4, 126.2, 125.2, 122.6, 61.0, 33.3, 20.5, 14.2; MS (HRMS) m/z Calcd. for C₂₅H₂₂NO₃⁺: 384.1594, [M+H]⁺ found : 384.1592.



(S)-6-(3-oxobutan-2-yl)-7-phenyl-5H-cyclopenta[b]pyridin-5-one (4s)

Yellow oil (38.8 mg, 56%); $R_f = 0.33$ (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 10:1, v/v); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 400 MHz) δ (ppm): 8.50 (d, J = 5.2 Hz, 1H), 7.73 (d, J = 7.3 Hz, 1H), 7.62 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 2H), 7.54 (t, J = 7.3 Hz, 2H), 7.52-7.49 (m, 1H), 7.17-7.15 (m,

1H), 3.70 (q, J = 7.1 Hz, 1H), 2.15 (s, 3H), 1.45 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 100 MHz) δ (ppm): 206.9, 195.1, 166.9, 155.7, 152.2, 137.2, 130.3, 129.4, 129.3, 128.8, 128.7, 122.7, 44.2, 28.4, 15.5; MS (HRMS) m/z Calcd. for C₁₈H₁₆NO₂⁺ : 278.1176, [M+H]⁺ found : 278.1174.



methyl (R)-2-(5-oxo-7-phenyl-5H-cyclopenta[b]pyridin-6-yl)propanoate (4t)

Yellow oil (39.6 mg, 54%); $R_f = 0.31$ (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 10:1, v/v); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 600 MHz) δ (ppm): 8.50-8.48 (m, 1H), 7.72 (dd, $J_1 = 7.2$ Hz, $J_2 = 1.5$ Hz, 1H), 7.64 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 2H), 7.54 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 2H), 7.50 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 7.16-7.14 (m, 1H), 3.80 (q, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 3.64 (s, 3H), 1.49 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 150 MHz) δ (ppm): 194.7, 173.1, 166.9, 154.6, 152.1, 136.9, 130.4, 130.1, 129.3, 128.9, 128.8, 125.1, 122.6, 52.4, 35.6, 16.3; MS (HRMS) m/z Calcd. for C₁₈H₁₆NO₃⁺ : 294.1125, [M+H]⁺ found : 294.1128.



(S)-6-(1-(4-methoxyphenyl)ethyl)-7-phenyl-5H-cyclopenta[b]pyridin-5-one (4u) Yellow oil (62.4 mg, 73%); $R_f = 0.41$ (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 10:1, v/v); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 400 MHz) δ (ppm): 8.45 (dd, $J_1 = 5.3$ Hz, $J_2 = 1.6$ Hz, 1H), 7.63 (dd, $J_1 = 7.2$ Hz, $J_2 = 1.6$ Hz, 1H), 7.59-7.56 (m, 2H), 7.55-7.53 (m, 2H), 7.52-7.50 (m, 1H), 7.24 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.11-7.08 (m, 1H), 6.82 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 4.18 (q, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 3.78 (s, 3H), 1.67 (d, J = 7.3 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 100 MHz) δ (ppm): 195.9, 167.0, 158.1, 154.1, 152.0, 141.2, 135.6, 131.0, 129.7, 129.0, 128.8, 128.7, 128.6, 125.2, 122.4, 113.9, 55.3, 35.3, 19.3; MS (HRMS) m/z Calcd. for C₂₃H₂₀NO₂⁺: 342.1489, [M+H]⁺ found : 342.1483.



(S)-2-cyclohexyl-3-phenyl-1-(pyridin-3-yl)propan-1-one (9)

White solid (40.3 mg, 56%); $R_f = 0.43$ (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 4:1, v/v); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 400 MHz) δ (ppm): 9.08 (s, 1H), 8.74-8.73 (m, 1H), 8.14-8.11 (m, 1H), 7.41-7.38 (m, 1H), 7.24 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 7.17-7.13 (m, 3H), 3.43-3.78 (m, 1H), 3.36-3.30 (m, 1H), 3.18-3.12 (m, 1H), 1.89-1.86 (m, 1H), 1.79-1.75 (m, 1H), 1.66-1.55 (m, 3H), 1.50-1.47 (m, 1H), 1.28-1.23 (m, 1H), 1.15-1.09 (m, 2H), 1.04-1.00 (m, 1H), 0.90-0.81 (m, 1H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 100 MHz) δ (ppm): 198.3, 152.5, 148.9, 143.2, 135.9, 132.8, 128.3, 128.2, 126.3, 123.8, 47.3, 43.0, 42.8, 31.6, 30.9, 26.5, 26.3; MS (HRMS) m/z Calcd. for C₂₀H₂₄NO⁺ : 294.1852, [M+H]⁺ found : 294.1849.



(R)-2-cyclohexyl-1-phenyl-3-(pyridin-3-yl)propane-1,3-dione (10)

White solid (22.3 mg, 29%); $R_f = 0.30$ (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 4:1, v/v); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 400 MHz) δ (ppm): 9.21 (s, 1H), 8.76-8.75 (m, 1H), 8.30-8.27 (m, 1H), 8.01 (t, J = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 7.58 (d, J = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 7.47 (t, J = 7.7 Hz, 2H), 7.42-7.39 (m, 1H), 5.13 (d, J = 9.4 Hz, 1H), 2.72-2.63 (m, 1H), 1.72-1.66 (m, 4H), 1.40-1.26 (m, 4H), 1.16-1.05 (m, 2H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 100 MHz) δ (ppm): 195.2, 194.5, 153.5, 149.8, 137.1, 136.4, 133.9, 132.6, 129.1, 128.8, 123.9, 64.6, 39.9, 31.9, 31.8, 26.3, 26.2; MS (HRMS) m/z Calcd. for C₂₀H₂₂NO₂⁺ : 308.1645, [M+H]⁺ found : 308.1640.



6-cyclohexyl-7-phenyl-6,7-dihydro-5H-cyclopenta[b]pyridin-5-one (11)

Colorless oil (66.9 mg, 92%); $R_f = 0.34$ (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 4:1, v/v); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 400 MHz) δ (ppm): 8.79 (d, J = 4.7 Hz, 1H), 8.05 (d, J = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 7.36-7.33 (m, 1H), 7.30 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 7.24 (t, J = 7.3 Hz, 1H), 7.12 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 4.50 (d, J = 3.5 Hz, 1H), 2.83 (t, J = 3.9 Hz, 1H), 2.19-2.11 (m, 1H), 1.75-1.63 (m, 4H), 1.52-1.49 (m, 1H), 1.35-1.21 (m, 5H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 100 MHz) δ (ppm): 206.7, 175.4, 156.4, 142.7, 131.7, 130.3, 129.1, 128.1, 127.1, 123.1, 63.2, 50.5, 40.6, 31.0, 29.1, 26.6, 26.4, 26.3. MS (HRMS) m/z Calcd. for C₂₀H₂₂NO⁺ : 292.1696, [M+H]⁺ found : 292.1692.

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10. ¹H and ¹³C NMR spectra for substrates and products



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